

Subject: UPDATE ON THE HEFLEY AMENDMENT**Date:** Fri, 17 Jul 1998 16:09:35 -0400 (EDT)**From:** 1
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Call Now!!! Rep. Hefley's office must know that Coloradans will not sit still for such transparantly anti-gay legislation. Please contact him by early next week.

Rep. Hefley can be reached at (202) 225-4422 or at the Capitol Switchboard at (800) 972-3524. His Colorado Springs number is (719) 520-0055.

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Rep. Joel Hefley (R-Colorado Springs) is trying to gut President Clinton's Executive Order which clarified that discrimination in the federal civilian workforce on the basis of sexual orientation is prohibited, by denying funds to implement, administer or enforce it.

Earlier this week he was going to attach an amendment to the Treasury-Postal Appropriations bill. However, that bill is sponsored by Rep. Jim Kolbe, who is an openly gay Republican, and who is against the amendment. Instead, Hefley is eying the Commerce, Justice, State Appropriations Bill as soon as next week.

"The fact that they moved it from Rep. Kolbe's bill underscores the hypocrisy in this effort to legalize workplace discrimination against gay people," said Human Rights Campaign political director Winnie Stachelberg.

Conversations with Rep. Hefley's office suggest that Rep. Hefley believes he is doing something other than making it legal to take a person's sexual orientation into account, and then discriminate against them, when making job-related decisions. Make sure you're clear in your message to him.

Rep. Diana DeGette (D-Denver) has already spoken on the floor of the House against the Hefley Amendment. Other Colorado Congressmen to call include:

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